

## **PESTICIDE NEWS**

## Agri-Business / Cropland. Carbofuran Use on Food Crops Not Allowed. (Friday 3/11/2010 12:00PM)

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All uses of carbofuran on food crops such as <u>alfalfa</u>, cotton, <u>small grains (wheat, oats, and barley), soybeans,</u> sugarcane, <u>sweet corn</u>, and tobacco are no longer allowed.

The broadcast foliar product 'Furadan 4F' has been widely used for the control of grasshoppers and other insect pests in small grains and/or alfalfa across Montana. This products long residual activity has made it an excellent tool for use against recurring insects such as grasshoppers. Producers / consultants need to use or recommend other alternative pesticide chemistries in the summer of 2010. For information regarding the carbofuran cancellation process, please refer to the EPA web site (http://www.epa.gov/oppsrrd1/reregistration/carbofuran/carbofuran\_noic.htm). Food crops contaminated with carbofuran are subject to regulatory action by the MDA or US Food and Drug administration.

Pesticides that can no longer be used must be disposed in a way which protects humans and the environment. The Montana Department of Agriculture Pesticide Disposal Program is an excellent way to dispose of these surplus pesticides. Preregister with the Montana Department of Agriculture (<u>http://agr.mt.gov/pestfert/miscpdf/DisposalRegistrationForm.pdf</u>, or contact MDA at (406)444-5400) to return unused carbofuran products. You will then be notified of the location and date of the collection. Collection locations in 2010 are:

September 14<sup>th</sup>: Chinook September 15<sup>th</sup>: Plentywood September 16<sup>th</sup>: Miles city September 17<sup>th</sup>: Billings

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** More information and details regarding this announcement are available online at <u>carbofuran details</u>. Information regarding carbofuran product cancellation order is online at <u>product cancellation order</u>. If you have further questions contact the MSU Pesticide Education Program office (Cecil Tharp, 406-994-5067, <u>ctharp@montana.edu</u>', or the Montana Department of Agriculture at (406)444-5400).